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**Long Term Agreement with the City of Rosemead for Public Plaza Development,
Use and Maintenance**

The City of Rosemead (City) has approached the County of Los Angeles (County) with a proposal to create a Public Plaza and renovate the parking lot that is jointly owned and shared between the County's Rosemead Library and City Hall. The City's Public Plaza will be completed as part of a three-phase project and would include approximately 10,500 square feet of County-owned property. Phase I and Phase II, which have been completed, include the complete rehabilitation of the parking lot areas. The Public Plaza, which will be developed as Phase III, will include the construction of the Plaza, interactive water features, installation of drought tolerant landscaping, hardscape, and relocation of the veteran's memorial. The Public Plaza would be an inviting space available for public gatherings, City and Public Library events and general public use.

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The estimated project cost for the Public Plaza is \$1.346 million, which will be fully funded by the City. While the City is primarily responsible for designing and constructing the project, all documents and decisions are subject to the mutual approval of the City and the County.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board:

1. Find that construction of a Public Plaza for the purpose of public gatherings, City and Public Library events and general public use, will benefit the County and its residents.
2. Rely on the finding of the City, which is the lead agency, that the minor construction of the Public Plaza at the City's cost, is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (New Construction and Conversion of Small Structures) and Class 1, Subsection (g) (3) (b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines;
3. Instruct the CEO and the County Librarian to negotiate a 20-year gratis agreement—with two ten-year extension options—with the City that will reflect the County's terms and conditions related to the City's Public Plaza project to allow construction, use and ongoing maintenance activities on the County portion of the Public Plaza estimated to be approximately 10,500 square feet, pursuant to Government Code section 26227.

4. Approve and delegate authority to the County Librarian, or designee, to execute the agreement and any future amendments within the Library's allocated budget that may be required upon review and approval by the CEO and approved as to form by County Counsel subject to the terms of the final agreement.
5. Approve and delegate authority to the CEO and County Librarian to work with the City on Phase III of the project and accept improvements on County property.

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